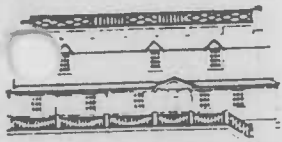


MARYLAND  
HISTORICAL



TRUST

William Donald Schaefer  
Governor

Jacqueline H. Rogers  
Secretary, DHCD

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Friendship, 20110 Ridge Rd Survey Number: M-10-1  
Montgomery County

Project: MD 27 from MD 355 to MD 180 Agency: SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

*This farmstead, dating from the late 18th, is significant under Criteria C as a good example of an early family farm in upper Montgomery County. It has been owned and farmed by the same family since 1795. It includes a timber framed bank barn as well as a 2 story log(?) house.*

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: INVENTORY FORM # M-10-1

and project file

Prepared by: Donald Leavitt & Michael Dwyer, Rita Siffness, SHA

Beth Hannock

8/30/91

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

Date

NR program concurrence: ☒ yes ☐ no ☐ not applicable

R. Anderson

30 Aug 91

Reviewer, NR program

Date

*gms*

Survey No. M-10-1

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Shore       | (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Western Shore       | (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles,<br>Prince George's and St. Mary's)             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Piedmont | (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll,<br>Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Western Maryland    | (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)  |

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- |  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paleo-Indian  | 10000-7500 B.C.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Archaic   | 7500-6000 B.C.    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Archaic  | 6000-4000 B.C.    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Late Archaic  | 4000-2000 B.C.    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Woodland  | 2000-500 B.C.     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Woodland   | 500 B.C.- A.D.900 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Late Woodland/Archaic   | A.D. 900-1600     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contact and Settlement  | A.D. 1570-1750    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural Agrarian Intensification   | A.D. 1680-1815    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural-Industrial Transition  | A.D. 1815-1870    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial/Urban Dominance  | A.D. 1870-1930    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Modern Period   | A.D. 1930-Present |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Period ( <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> historic ) |                   |

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- |   |
|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Subsistence            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Settlement             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Political              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demographic            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religion               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Technology             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Adaption |

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- |   |
|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Landscape Architecture,<br>and Community Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic (Commercial and Industrial)                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government/Law   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Military   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religion   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Educational/Cultural  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation   |

V. Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Farmstead

Known Design Source: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACHS SUMMARY FORM

1. Name: Friendship

2. Planning Area/Site Number: 10/1

3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 2

Coordinate L-11

4. Address: 28110 Ridge Road  
Damascus, Maryland

5. Classification Summary

Category buildingOwnership privatePublic Acquisition N/AStatus occupiedAccessible noPresent use agriculture; privatePrevious Survey Recording MNCPPCTitle and Date: Historic Sites Inventory  
1976Federal      State x County x Local     

6. Date: c. 1780

residence

7. Original Owner: James Norwood

8. Apparent Condition

a. good b. altered c. original site

9. Description: The house is a two-story, L-shaped structure of log construction, sheathed with shiplap siding. The main (east) facade is four bays, the two center ones being doorways with three-light transoms. The rear wing is two bays with a shed-roofed meat house attached. A shed roofed porch runs across the main facade and around the south side of the rear wing. The house sits on a stone foundation.

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A small, stone-foundationed, log constructed bank barn sits on the property. It is covered with vertical board siding. The second floor overhang is cantilevered out, supported only by the end girts of the frame.

10. Significance: Friendship was built in the late 18th century. It has been in the family of the present owner since 1795.

In 1761 James Norwood bought 300 acres of the tract, Friendship. He apparently settled on the land as, in 1783, he was assessed for a frame house, log kitchen and barn. In 1795 Nehemiah Moxley bought the place from Norwood's sons and married Norwood's daughter, Elizabeth.

According to family legend, Nehemiah Moxley was part of an Annapolis group that late in the year 1774 set fire to a British ship laden with tea to protest the despised tea tax. Moxley was forced to flee Annapolis for the safety of the Catoctin Mountains.

The farm was passed down from one generation to the next. The current owner is the great-great-great grandson of Nehemiah Moxley.

Mike Dwyer - Arch. Description

11. Researcher and date researched: Donald M. Leavitt

July 1979

12. Compiler: Margaret Coleman

13. Date Compiled: Sept. 1979

14. Designation  
Approval     

15. Acreage: 88.99 acres

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Friendship

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

28110 Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN

Damascus

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES RESTRICTED☐ YES UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Floyd Moxley

Telephone #: 253-4296

STREET &amp; NUMBER

28110 Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN

Damascus

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20750

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 4627

Folio #: 155

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

MNCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE

1976

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☒ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN

Derwood

STATE

Maryland 20855

## 7 DESCRIPTION

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### CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

### CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

### CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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## 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		Local History

SPECIFIC DATES

c. 1780

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Friendship is a late 18th century farm house with later additions, and has been in the Moxley family since 1795.

In the years before 1761, much of the land in this upper section of Montgomery County was owned by Henry Ridgely and was part of a tract called "Friendship". In 1761 he conveyed 300 acres of this land to Richard Reynolds, who in turn sold it to James Norwood. However, in 1789 Henry Ridgely "discovered a great mistake in the original deed which if not rectified would millitate much to the prejudices of the said James Norwood".<sup>1</sup> Ridgely provided a new deed for Norwood to clarify the issue. The house had been constructed before that time as James Norwood was assessed in 1783 for a "frame dwelling house, log kitchen, and barn."

In 1795 Norwood's sons sold Friendship to Nehemiah Moxley.<sup>2</sup> According to family legend, Moxley was part of an Annapolis group that late in the year 1774 set fire to a British ship laden with tea to protest the despised tea tax. Moxley was forced to flee Annapolis for the safety of the Catoctin Mountains. In 1795 he came to upper Montgomery County, and bought the land from Norwood's sons, and married Norwood's daughter Elizabeth. After these adventures, he settled down to lead the life of a simple farmer.

Since Nehemiah's day the Friendship farm has remained in the Moxley family. The farm was passed down to Nehemiah's son William<sup>3</sup> and then on to his son, and so on down the line.

Friendship is still farmed, and the current operator is the great-great-great grandson of Nehemiah Moxley.

### FOOTNOTES:

1 Land Records of Montgomery County, Md. D/253 (6/9/1789).

2 Ibid., F-6/257 (1/19/1795).

3 Ibid., BS 1/521 (1/15/1828).

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Farquhar, Rgoer Brooke. Old Homes and History of Montgomery County, Md.  
 Washington, D.C.: Judd and Detweiler, 1962.  
 Maps: Martinet and Bond (1865)  
 G.M. Hopkins Atlas (1879).

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 88.99 acres

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Located on the SW side of Kemptown Road, next to the intersection with Route 27.

**LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Donald M. LeavittMike Dwyer - Arch. Description

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

July 1979

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
 (301) 267-1438

NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

<b>1. NAME</b>					
COMMON:					
AND/OR HISTORIC: Friendship					
<b>2. LOCATION</b>					
STREET AND NUMBER: 28110 Kemptown Road					
CITY OR TOWN: Damascus					
STATE Maryland			COUNTY: Montgomery		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>					
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Public	Public Acquisition:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied	Yes:
<input type="checkbox"/> Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> In Process	<input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted
<input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious			
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific			
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>					
OWNER'S NAME: Meloy Moxley					
STREET AND NUMBER: 28110 Kemptown Road					
CITY OR TOWN: Damascus			STATE: Maryland		
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>					
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Montgomery County Courthouse					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville			STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):					
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>					
TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic Sites in the Bi-County Region					
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local					
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission					
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Avenue					
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring			STATE: Maryland		



## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

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## F. SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian☐ 16th Century☐ 18th Century☐ 20th Century☐ 15th Century☐ 17th Century☒ 19th Century

## SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

☐ Education☐ Political☐ Urban Planning☐ Prehistoric☐ Engineering☐ Religion/Phi-☐ Other (Specify)☐ Historic☐ Industry

losophy

☐ Agriculture☐ Invention☐ Science☐ Architecture☐ Landscape☐ Sculpture☐ Art☐ Architecture☐ Sociol/Human-☐ Commerce☐ Literature

itorion

☐ Communications☐ Military☐ Theater☐ Conservation☐ Music☐ Transportation

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES			
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"		
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"		
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"		
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"		

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Christopher Owens, Park Historian	
ORGANIZATION MNCPPC	DATE 10/25/73
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Avenue	
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring	STATE Maryland

## 12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

F.K.M. B R. J Moxley

4627 / 155

677 / 262  
/ 265

752 / 394

88.99 Ac.

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ROAD

P 852

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Boundary  
Attachment 13 M. 10-1  
Friendship  
Historic Site Boundary



#10-1

NAME FRIENDSHIP (MOXLEY) HOUSE

LOCATION Rt. 27 (28110 RIDGE RD) CLAGETTSVILLE, Md.

FACADE N.

PHOTO TAKEN 10/25/73 M. DWYER



NAME FRIENDSHIP (MOKLEY HOUSE)

LOCATION Rt. 27 (28110 RIDGE Rd.) CLAGETTSVILLE, Md

FACADE E.

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NAME FRIENDSHIP (MOXLEY HOUSE) - BANK BARN

LOCATION Rt. 27 (28110 RIDGE Rd) CLAGETTSVILLE, Md

FACADE S.E.

PHOTO TAKEN 10/25/73 M. DWYER



NAME LOG TOBACCO HOUSE - OLD GEO. MOXLEY FARM

LOCATION W. SIDE RT 27 AT CLAGGETTSVILLE (DAMASCUS,) Md

FACADE NW

PHOTO TAKEN 10/25/73 MOWYER